

FIG. 1

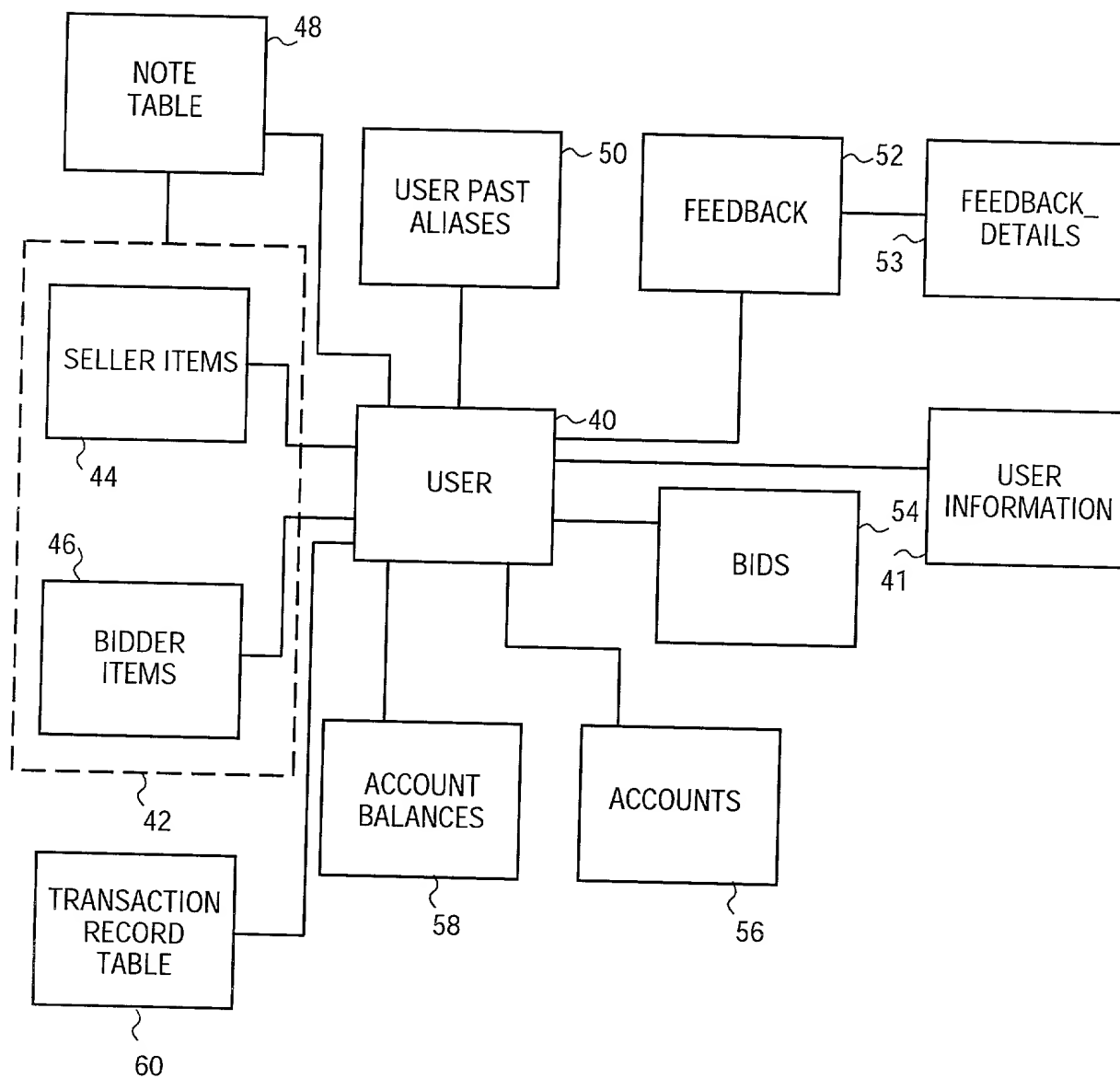


FIG. 2

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USER_INFO TABLE			
USER ID	NAME	GENDER	PASSWORD ADDRESS PREFERENCES
72	74	76	80

FIG. 3

FIG. 4 is a flowchart illustrating a process for providing user access to features within a transaction facility via a communications network.

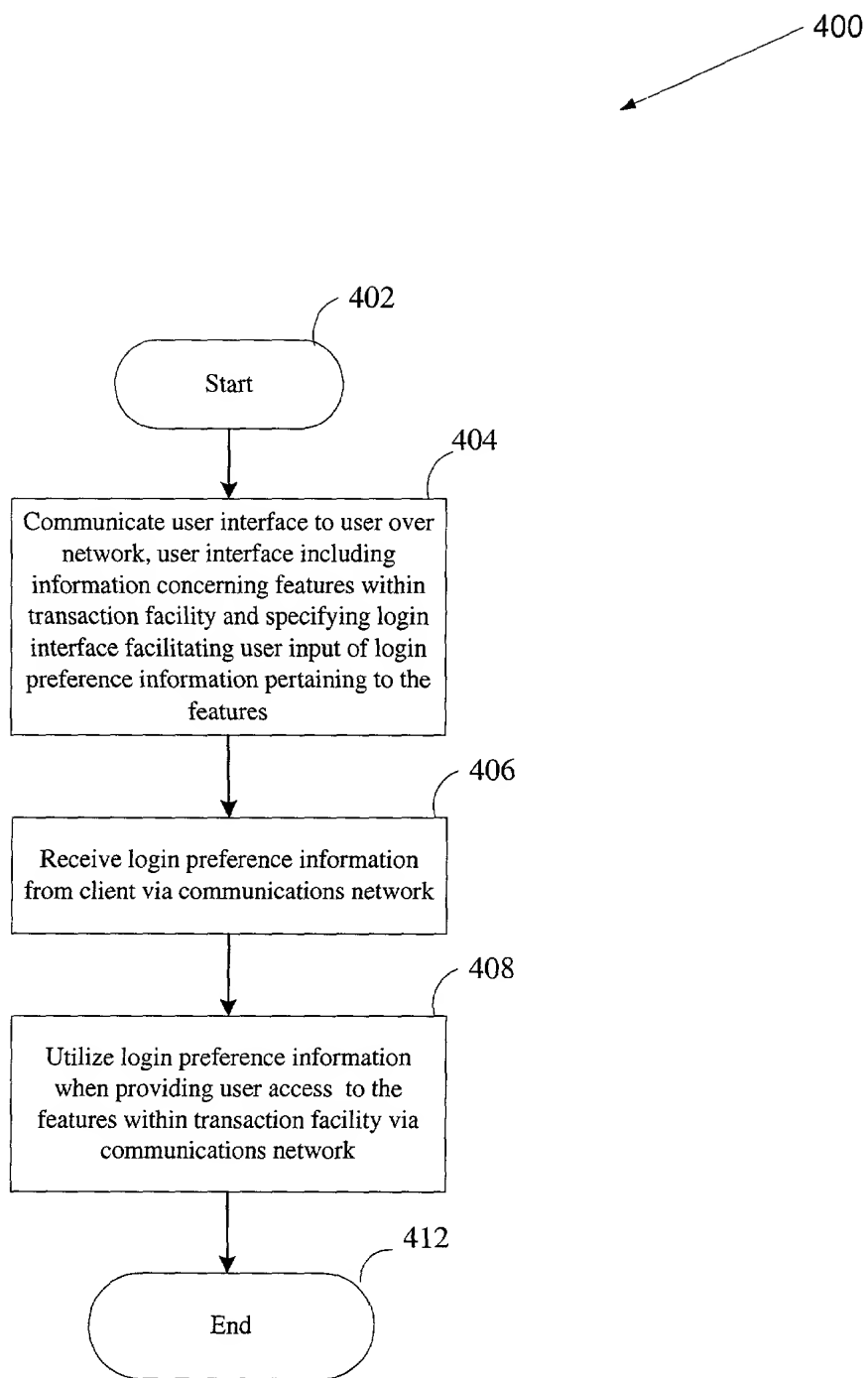


FIG. 4

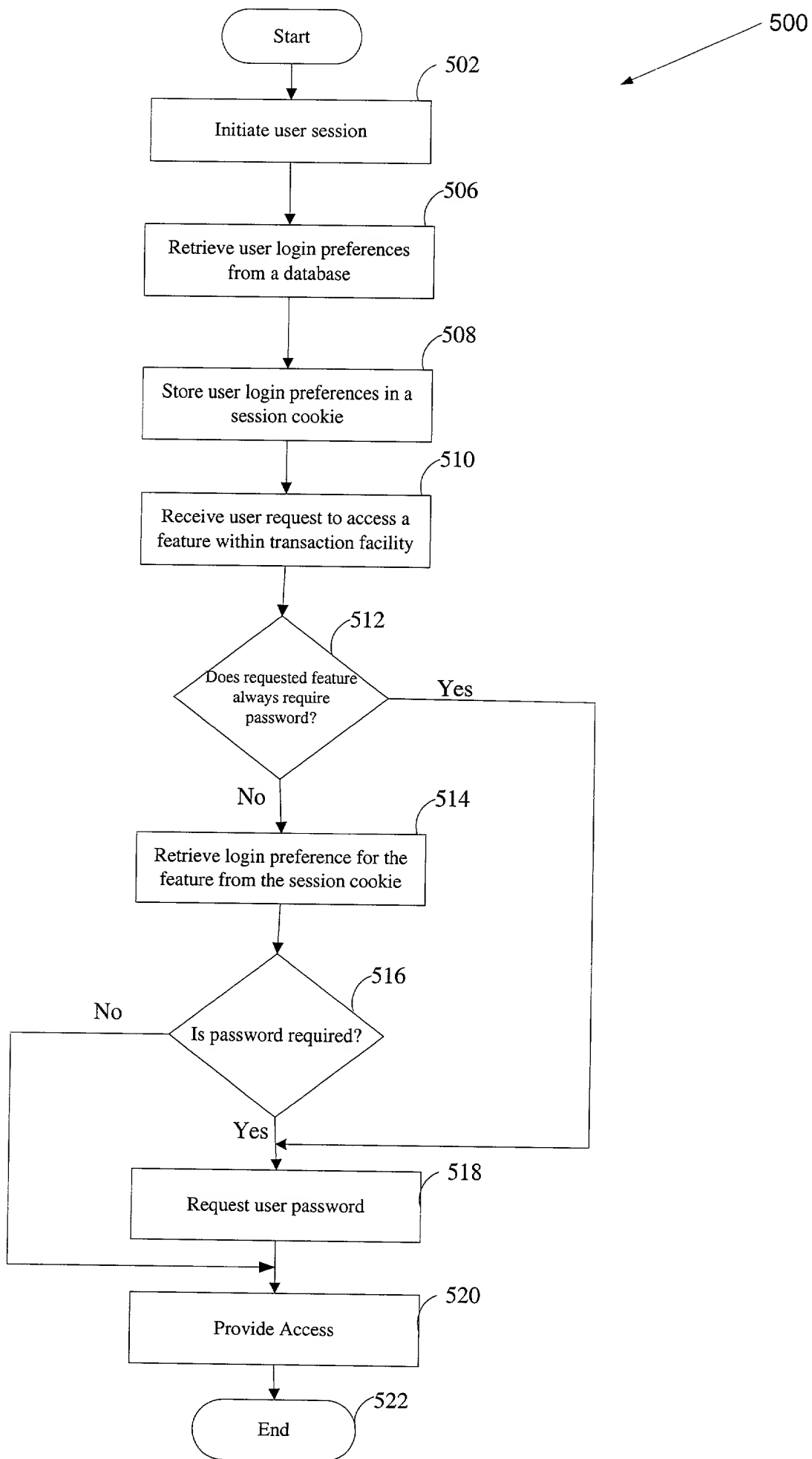


FIG. 5

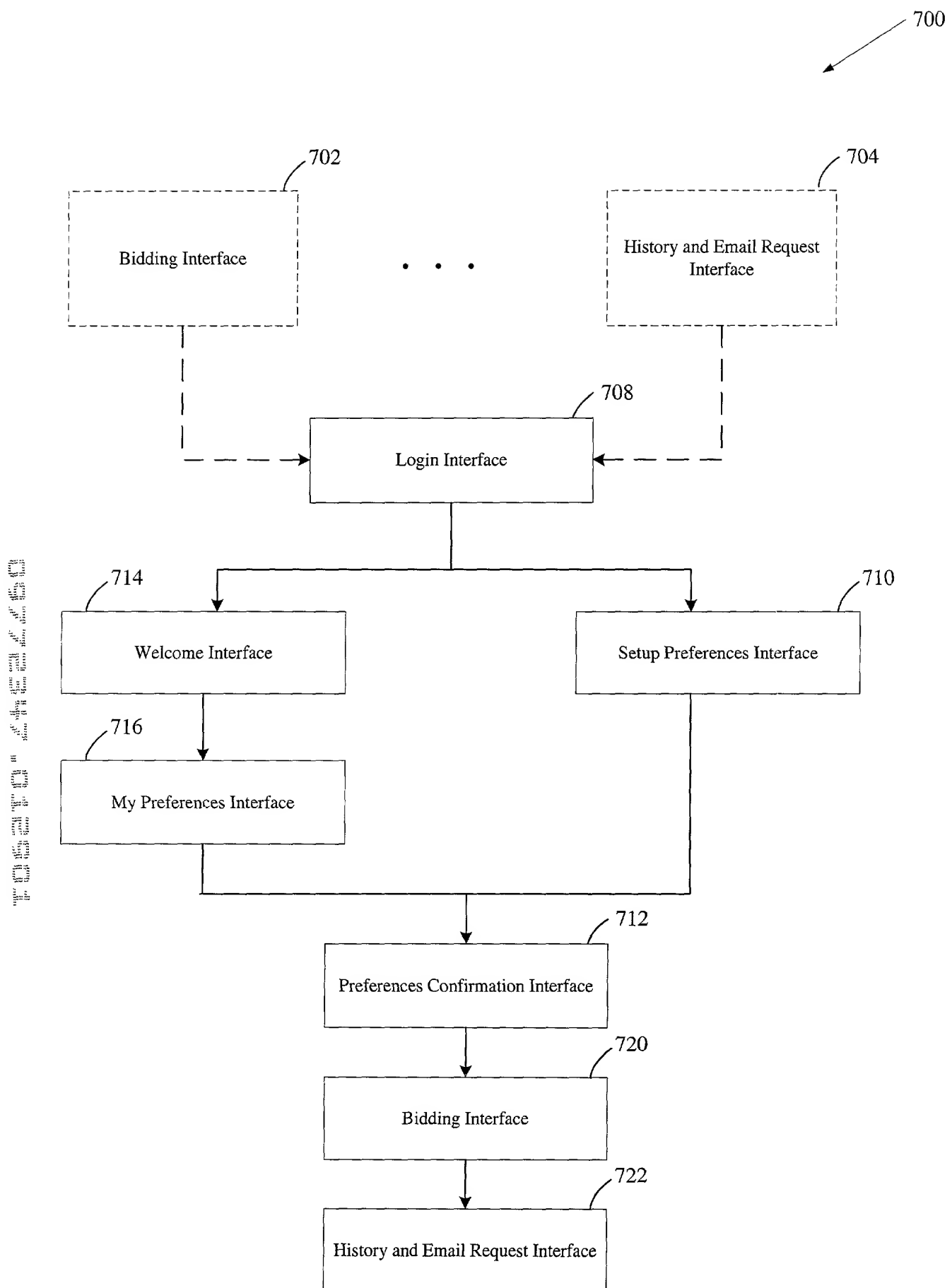


FIG. 7

Bid confirmed for: test item, do not bid (item #109574)

Your bid was in the amount of: **US\$0.01**
Your maximum bid was in the amount of: **US\$0.01**
After processing all the open bids for
this item, the current bid price is **US\$0.01**

Thank you for your bid! **You** are the current **high bidder** for this item! You will be notified if your maximum bid is exceeded by another bidder:

Please note that the listings on the index pages are not updated right away, but your bid has been recorded.

Important: please take note of the closing date of this auction. At midnight following the close, the seller and the high-bidder will be notified by e-mail, and you have only **three** business days to contact each other before losing your position as high-bidder.

Note: Are you tired of typing in your User ID and Password over and over again? Try the new feature to save time.

[Sign In](#)

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test item, do not bid (109574)

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Description

Currently **US\$0.01**
Quantity **1**
Time left **6 days, 23 hours +**
Started **08/03/99, 17:46:54PDT**
Ends **08/10/99, 17:46:54PDT**

First bid **US\$0.01**
of bids **1** ([bid history](#)) ([with emails](#))
Location **San Jose**
[\(mail this auction to a friend\)](#)
[\(request a gift alert\)](#)



Bid!

Seller [mark2 \(25\)](#)
[\(view comments in seller's Feedback Profile\)](#) [\(view seller's other auctions\)](#)
[\(ask seller a question\)](#)

High bid [jen\(0\)](#)

Payment See item description for payment methods accepted
Shipping See item description for shipping charges

Seller assumes all responsibility for listing this item. You should contact the seller to resolve any questions before bidding. Currency is U.S. dollar (US\$) unless otherwise noted.

FIG. 8

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User ID History and Email Address Request Form

We kindly request that you submit your User ID and password to view the User ID History or email addresses of other users.

Note: When the shades icon  appears next to a User ID, it signifies that the user has changed his/her User ID within the last 30 days. The shades icon will disappear after the user has maintained the same User ID for a 30-day period.

Enter Your User ID and Password	
User ID:	<input type="text"/>
Password:	<input type="password"/>

[Submit](#)

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feature to .

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FIG. 9

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Welcome, please sign in

Existing users, sign in to save time for bidding, selling, and other activities:

User Member Sign In

User ID:

Password:

Note: By sign in, you'll get a temporary "cookie" which will (1) remember your User ID for this browser session, (2) allow you to setup where you would also like your Password to be remembered for this browser session. If there is no activities in the next 20 minutes or when you close the browser, the cookie will expire. For more information about cookies, [click here](#).

New User?

FIG. 10

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Browse	Sell	Services	Search	Help	Community
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overview	registration	buying & selling	my page	about me	feedback forum	safe harbor
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Welcome, user1

Set Sign In Preferences

You are currently signed in, check the boxes below to set up where you would like to have your password remembered during this browser session: [\(need more explanation\)](#)

1102 ☐ Selling

1104 ☐ Chat

1106 ☐ My Page

1108 ☐ Bidding

1110 ☐ Feedback

1112 ☐ Other Activities (such, for example, revise your item, request user email address)

Set Display Preferences

☐ Display bidders/sellers email address information with their User ID

Save

1114 { Note: You may change your setting later via my preferences tab.

FIG. 11

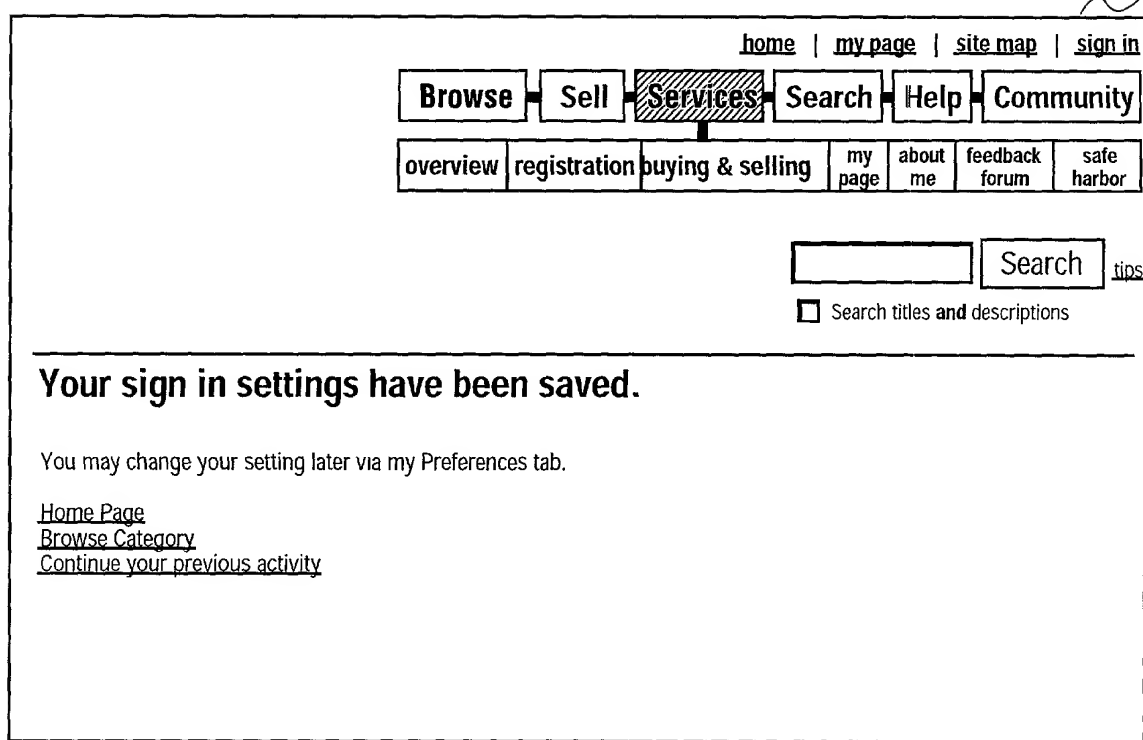


FIG. 12

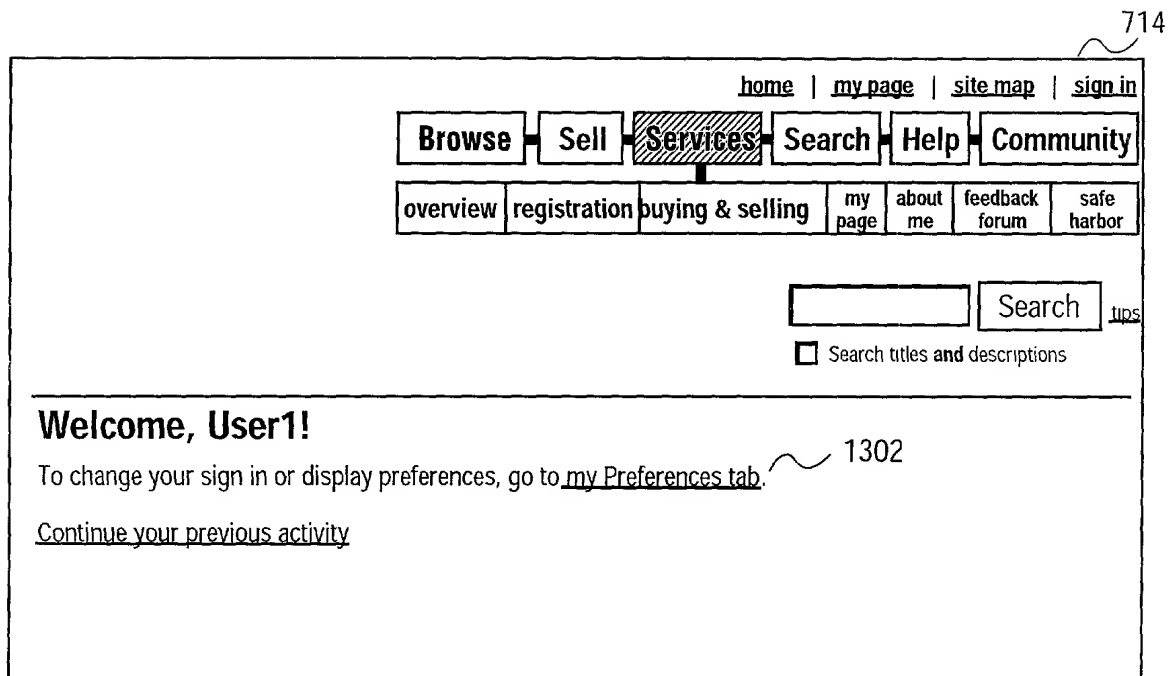


FIG. 13

home | my page | site map | sign in

Browse | **Sell** | **Services** | **Search** | **Help** | **Community**

overview | registration | buying & selling | my page | about me | feedback forum | safe harbor

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My page. Welcome Jennifer Pearson

[Recent Feedback](#) | [Items I'm Bidding On](#) | [Items I'm Selling](#) | [My Account](#) | [Favorite Categories](#) | [Auction Tracking](#) | [Preferences](#)

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☐ My Page

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FIG. 14

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Note: You are currently signed in for this browser session. To change your sign in preferences, [click here](#). Do not leave your computer un-attended without [signing out](#).

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test item, do not bid (109574)

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 <small>Description</small>	Currently US\$0.01 Quantity 1 Time left 6 days, 23 hours + Started 08/03/99, 17:46:54PDT Ends 08/10/99, 17:46:54PDT	First bid US\$0.01 # of bids 1 (bid history) (with emails) Location San Jose (mail this auction to a friend) (request a gift alert)
 <small>Bid!</small>	Seller mark2 (25) (view comments in seller's Feedback Profile) (view seller's other auctions) (ask seller a question)	
	High bid jen(0)	
	Payment See item description for payment methods accepted Shipping See item description for shipping charges	


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FIG. 15

The screenshot shows a web interface with a navigation bar at the top containing links: [home](#), [my page](#), [site map](#), and [sign in](#). Below these are buttons for **Browse** (shaded), **Sell**, **Services**, **Search**, **Help**, and **Community**. A sub-menu for **Browse** shows **item view**. To the right is a search bar with a **Search** button and a [tips](#) link. Below the search bar is a checkbox labeled ☐ Search titles and descriptions.

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Enter Your User ID and Password

User ID: 1602

Password: 1604

Note: If you would like to have your password remembered for this activity, go to [my preferences tab](#). 1606

FIG. 16

FIG. 17 is a block diagram of a computer system 1700. The system 1700 includes a processor 1702, main memory 1704, static memory 1706, and a network interface device 1722. The processor 1702, main memory 1704, and static memory 1706 are connected to a central bus 1708. The network interface device 1722 is also connected to the bus 1708. The system 1700 also includes a video display 1710, an alpha-numeric input device 1712, a cursor control device 1714, a drive unit 1716, and a signal generation device 1720. The drive unit 1716 includes a computer-readable medium 1724 with instructions 1726. The system 1700 is connected to a network 1700 via the network interface device 1722.

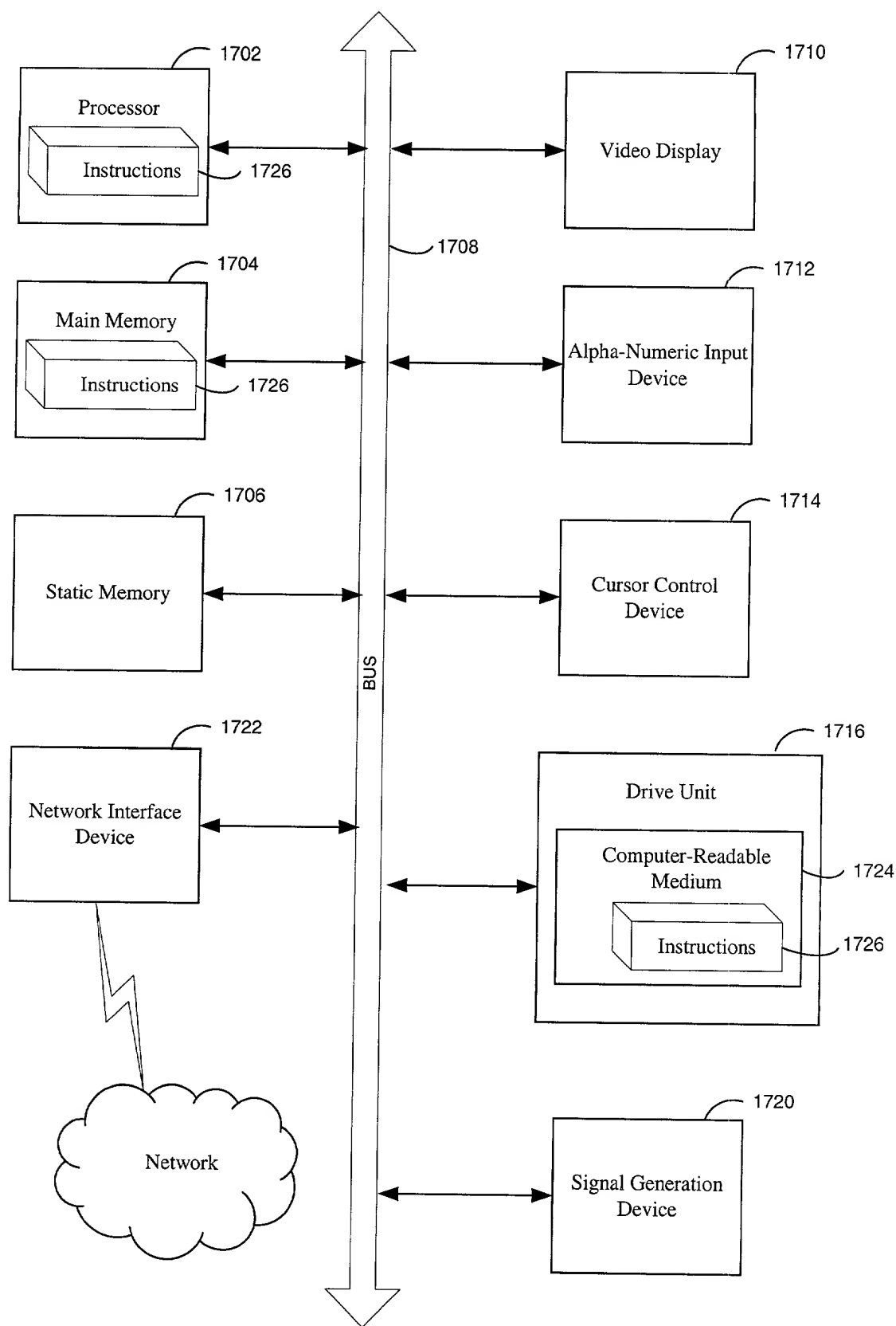


FIG. 17